

MEMORANDUM

TO: Glenn Grant, Business Administrator

FROM: Pamela E. Goldstein, Communication Manager 10

RE: City's Awards

DATE: April 20, 1992

On February 3 (see attached back-up material), I sent you a memo asking for a list of all national recognition awards the city has received during Mayor James' tenure. To date, only the Department of Engineering has responded.

If other departments, agencies or divisions know of additional awards other than those attached (please see list), please have them notify me at their earliest convenience. Perhaps we can even list these recognitions in the upcoming Annual Report, as Meridien, Mississippi did (example attached).

cc: Hon. Sharpe James, Mayor

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All Department Directors

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Glenn A. Grant, Acting Business Administrator

DATE:

February 3, 1992

RE:

Grant Awards

Attached hereto please find self-explanatory memorandum from Pamela Goldstein regarding the above mentioned subject.

Will you kindly informed Pamela Goldstein of any national awards or recognition that your department or agency has received since July 1, 1986.

Thank you.

Glenn A. Grant

Acting Business Administrator

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c Honorable Sharpe James, Mayor Pamela Goldstein, Communication Manager February 3, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Glenn Grant, Acting Business Administrator

FROM: Pamela E. Goldstein, Communication Manager

RE: Grant Awards

The Mayor has asked me to prepare a list of all national recognition awards the City has received during his tenure dating back to July 1, 1986. Special grant awards for commendable programs, such as the \$3 million given to the Boys' and Girls' Clubs' Fighting Back program by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, should be included.

I would appreciate your assistance and that of the department directors in compiling this list. Obviously, I am aware of the City Livability, All-America City and U.S. EPA awards, but there are other more obscure awards and recognitions of which I might not be aware or could have forgotten. Please help jar my memory or inform me of any grants or awards that should be on my list.

Many thanks, as always, for your help in meeting the Mayor's request.

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cc: The Hon. Sharpe James, Mayor

'An All-American City

SHARPE JAMES

Mayor

Municipal Council

HENRY MARTINEZ, Council President

GEORGE BRANCH & Councilman, East Ward Central Ward

ANTHONY CARRINO

RALPH T. GRANT, JR.

North Ward

At-Large

DONALD PAYNE

South Ward

EARL HARRIS At-Large

RONALD L. RICE West Ward

MARIE L. VILLANI At-Large

DONALD TUCKER At-Large

Together, we can make a difference

To the City Council and People of Meridian:

As you review this report, I believe you will begin to share the belief that Meridian is on the right track toward providing all our people with better lives through greater opportunities. We have achieved so much in the last six years and we have



Mayor Jimmy Kemp

Meridian City Council

done it because the people of our area cried out for change and were willing to make the hard choices that would make desired change become reality.

Many of the projects and programs we worked for are now reality, and many more need only a little time to be completed. We created the Meridian/ Bonita Lakes Development Authority and the Meridian/Lauderdale County Partnership. We completed the new dam as part of the Bonita Lakes development and have finished two phases of the Sowashee Creek project. Our program to attract retirees, if successful, will make our community a better place for all of us to live. Toward this end, development of the recreational phase of the Sowashee Creek project is a key factor in providing attractive areas for residents and visitors alike.

We can take pride in the accomplishments that have put our city in the national spotlight for its many achievements. But, we have more to do, and with your help, I pledge to help us take those important steps before I leave office.

I am firmly convinced that annexation of a reasonable amount of land around the city is imperative in order for us to maintain and expand the sales tax base that is the lifeblood of the city and required to provide the infrastructure needed for economic development and job growth. Meridian's proposed annexation will benefit our



John Robert Smith



Barbara Henson

Jesse Palmer



George Thomas





entire East Central Mississippi/West Central Alabama area.

We must also achieve tax equity for county taxpayers who live in the city to ensure that city residents get a fair return on their county tax dollars and city departments are not unduly strained trying to provide public services that county government has simply abandoned in the past. Finally, we must all continue to petition our state legislature to grant both cities and counties the right to impose, after

local referendum, local option sales taxes, as the residents of the four states surrounding ours already have the right to do.

We truly are on the right track but, as the saying goes "Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." So, review our accomplishments in this report, remember where we were six years ago, then catch the vision and move decisively to where we can be if we all pull together.

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National Recognition

1988

ALL-AMERICA CITY AWARD National Civic League

1989

EXEMPLARY CIVILIAN/MILITARY RELATIONS Department of Defense International City Management Assoc.

1990

CITY LIVABILITY AWARD U.S. Conference of Mayors

1991

HOWLAND AWARD FOR URBAN ENRICHMENT National League of Cities

PREVENTION OF IMPAIRED DRIVING AWARD U.S. Conference of Mayors

TREE CITY USA National Arbor Day Foundation





AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- 1. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Administrators Award 1990--best recycling program
- 2. U.S. Conference of Mayor's City Livability Award-1991
- 3. N.J. Department of Environmental Protection
 - a. Award for Clean Communities Program
 - b. Recycling Award
- 4. Association of N.J. Environmental Commissioners (ANJEC) Award for outstanding environmental achievements
- 5. N.J. Environmental Lobby for environmental initiatives-1991
- 6. Public Technology Inc. (PTI)--Technology Achievement Award for innovative use of recycling tires, i.e. crumb rubber additative used in street paving
- 7. Tree City USA Awards from National Arbor Day Association, 1986-1992
- 8. United Nations Environment Programme, Global Youth Forum on the Environment--1991 Award
- 9. Newark named one of 10 All-America Cities-1991-by the National Civic League $\,$